

**THE FIRST POCKET.**  
What is this tremendous noise?  
What can be the matter?  
There's coming up the stairs?  
What? No, he bursts into the room,  
And as he comes in,  
"Auntie, I am five years old—  
And I've got a pocket!"  
  
Eyes round and bright-as-stars:  
Cheeks that glow like fire,  
Hands that the highest hills  
Quite to overflowing,  
Kates may have her pocket-book,  
Painted on it, better yet—  
I have got a pocket!  
  
All too fresh the joy to make  
Kindness is sorrow,  
To see him in his plump enough  
To make us all rejoice.  
And, over many days were they  
To make him better still,  
Nothing ever came amiss  
To this wondrous pocket.

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**WROTE JUST WHAT HE WANTED.**  
There are some persons who think that editors regard it as one of the greatest intellectual luxuries to pitch into somebody, and they suppose themselves to have conferred a great favor by furnishing belligerent contributions in which some person, corrupted or society, is soundly abused. Such people may take a hint from the following:

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